

Listing and Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace the claims that were published in the PCT  
Application:

1. (currently amended) Method for recording data, with the successive steps of :

- recording a data container ( $K_e L_e V_e ; K_m L_m V_m$ ) having a given container length ( $l_e ; l_m$ );

- recording a key ( $K_{bp}$ ) indicative of a back-pointer ;

- recording a length indicator ( $L_{bp}$ );

- recording a value ( $V_{bp}$ ) indicative of the container length ( $l_e ; l_m$ ).

2. (original) Method according to claim 1, with the further step of :

- recording the length indicator.

3. (original) Method according to claim 2, with the further step of :

- recording the key indicative of the back-pointer.

4. (currently amended) Method for retrieving sets of data on a medium in a order opposite to the recording order, comprising the steps of :

- accessing a first set of data ;

- accessing a key ( $K_{bp}$ ) indicative of a back-pointer ;

- reading a value ( $V_{bp}$ ) indicative of a container length ;

- accessing a second set of data ( $K_e L_e V_e ; K_m L_m V_m$ ) using said value ( $V_{bp}$ ).

5. (original) Method according to claim 4, wherein the sets of data are KLV encoded.

6. (currently amended) Data file comprising successive blocks, each block comprising successively :

- a data container ( $K_e L_e V_e ; K_m L_m V_m$ ) having a container length ( $l_e ; l_m$ );

- a back-pointer key ( $K_{bp}$ );

- a length indicator ( $L_{bp}$ );

- a value ( $V_{bp}$ ) indicative of the container length ( $l_e ; l_m$ ).

7. (original) Medium carrying a data file according to claim 6.

8. (currently amended) Data structure having successively :

- a data container ( $K_e L_e V_e ; K_m L_m V_m$ ) ;
- a back-pointer key ( $K_{bp}$ ) ;
- a length indicator ( $L_{bp}$ ) ;
- a value ( $V_{bp}$ ) indicative of the length of the data container ( $L_e ; L_m$ ).

9. (original) Data structure according to claim 8, further having :

- the length indicator.

10. (original) Data structure according to claim 9, further having :

- the back-pointer key.